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the core concept of the invention of all 54 claims such that he could search on that subject. However, Applicants have selected as a species for further examination the one disclosed in new claim 55. The currently pending claims that read on new claim 55 are claims 1-11, 13, 16, 17, 19-30, 32, 36, 37, 39, and 40-54. These listed claims, although different statutory categories, contain elements of the selected species.

#### CONCLUSION

In light of the above remarks, Applicants request that the Restriction Requirement be withdrawn and that the application be past to allowance. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned should issues arise in order to more expeditiously advance the prosecution of this application.

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